SENATE FILE 2022 BY JOHNSON

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the training and licensure requirements
- 2 for certain persons working on the installation and repair
- 3 of plumbing, HVAC, refrigeration, or hydronic systems, and
- 4 providing for a fee.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 105.2, subsection 1, Code Supplement
- 2 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 1. "Apprentice" means any person, other than a helper,
- 4 journeyperson, or master, who, as a principal occupation,
- 5 is engaged in working as an employee of a plumbing, HVAC,
- 6 refrigeration, or hydronic systems contractor under the
- 7 supervision of either a master or a journeyperson and is
- 8 progressing toward completion of an apprenticeship training
- 9 program registered by the office of apprenticeship of the
- 10 United States department of labor while learning and assisting
- 11 in the design, installation, and repair of plumbing, HVAC,
- 12 refrigeration, or hydronic systems, as applicable.
- 13 Sec. 2. Section 105.9, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2009,
- 14 is amended to read as follows:
- 15 1. The board shall set the fees for the examination of all
- 16 applicants, by rule, which fees shall be based upon the cost
- 17 of administering the examinations. However, the fee for an
- 18 apprentice examination shall be set at seventy-five dollars.
- 19 Sec. 3. Section 105.18, subsection 2, paragraph a,
- 20 subparagraph (3), Code Supplement 2009, is amended to read as
- 21 follows:
- 22 (3) Be enrolled in an applicable apprentice program which is
- 23 registered with the United States department of labor office
- 24 of apprenticeship.
- 25 Sec. 4. Section 105.18, subsection 2, paragraph b,
- 26 subparagraph (1), subparagraph division (c), Code Supplement
- 27 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- (c) Provide the board with evidence of having completed
- 29 at least four years of practical experience as an apprentice.
- 30 Commencing January 1, 2010, the four years of practical
- 31 experience required by this subparagraph division must be an
- 32 apprenticeship training program registered by the United States
- 33 department of labor office of apprenticeship.

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- 1 Sec. 5. Section 105.18, subsection 2, paragraph b,
- 2 subparagraph (1), Code Supplement 2009, is amended by adding
- 3 the following new subparagraph division:
- 4 NEW SUBPARAGRAPH DIVISION. (d) In lieu of subparagraph
- 5 division (c), provide the board with evidence of having passed
- 6 the state apprentice examination in the applicable discipline
- 7 and of having completed at least two years of practical
- 8 experience as an apprentice.
- 9 Sec. 6. Section 105.20, subsection 6, Code Supplement 2009,
- 10 is amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu
- 11 thereof the following:
- 12 6. The board shall not establish continuing education
- 13 requirements as a condition to license renewal, notwithstanding
- 14 the provisions of section 272C.2.
- 15 Sec. 7. Section 272C.2, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2009,
- 16 is amended to read as follows:
- 17 l. Each Except as otherwise provided by law, each licensing
- 18 board shall require and issue rules for continuing education
- 19 requirements as a condition to license renewal.
- 20 EXPLANATION
- 21 This bill makes changes relating to training and licensure
- 22 under Code chapter 105, the Iowa Plumber, Mechanical
- 23 Professional, and Contractor Licensing Act.
- 24 Currently, an apprentice working on the installation and
- 25 repair of plumbing, HVAC, refrigeration, or hydronic systems
- 26 must be enrolled in an applicable apprentice program that is
- 27 registered with the United States department of labor's office
- 28 of apprenticeship. This bill eliminates the requirement that
- 29 the program be registered with the federal government.
- 30 The bill also allows an apprentice seeking a journeyperson
- 31 license to test out of the four-year apprenticeship after
- 32 completing two years. The bill sets the fee for this
- 33 examination at \$75.
- 34 The bill eliminates the requirement that licensees under
- 35 Code chapter 105 meet any continuing education requirements as

1 a condition of licensure renewal.